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PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNAVOIDABLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(a)	Docket Number (Optional) 33692.01.0023
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Application Number: 10/034,794 Examiner: Yves Dalencourt
Filed: December 28, 2001

Title:
MULTI-MODAL COMMUNICATION USING A SESSION SPECIFIC PROXY SERVER

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APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION.
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- (1) Petition fee.
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee.
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee -- required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995, and for all design applications; and
- (4) Adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay.

1. Petition fee

☐ Small entity -- fee \$ _____ (37 CFR 1.17(l)). Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.

☒ Other than small entity -- fee \$ 540.00 (37 CFR 1.17(l)).

2. Reply and/or fee

A The reply and/or fee to the above-noted Office action in the form of
Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review (identify the type of reply):

☒ has been filed previously on May 19, 2009

☐ is enclosed herewith.

B The issue fee of \$ _____

☐ has been filed previously on _____

☐ is enclosed herewith.

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- ☒ Since this utility/plant application was filed on or after June 8, 1995, no terminal disclaimer is required.
- ☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ _____ for a small entity or \$ _____ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

4. An adequate showing of the cause of the delay, and that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(a) was unavoidable, is enclosed.**WARNING:**

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/Christopher J. Reckamp/

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NOTE: The following showing of the cause of unavoidable delay must be signed by all applicants or by any other party who is presenting statements concerning the cause of delay.

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(In the space provided below, please explain in detail the reasons for the delay in filing a proper reply.)

The Notice of Abandonment dated December 9, 2009 states that the application is abandoned in view of: "Applicants failure to timely file a proper reply to the office letter mailed on 19 February 2009." and that "no reply has been received." Applicant respectfully petitions for revival due to Patent Office error as set forth below.

1. The office letter mailed on 19 February 2009 (attached as Exhibit A) was a final action.
2. Applicant filed a timely reply within three (3) months of the final action date, namely on May 19, 2009 by filing a Notice of Appeal, Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review and supporting remarks that were received by the Patent Office as evidenced by the attached Acknowledgement Receipt (attached as Exhibit B).

Based on this information alone, the application was improperly abandoned by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office since the Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review was filed in a timely manner. As such, Applicant respectfully requests reinstatement of the application and a return of the petition fee submitted as part of this Petition.

Applicant also notes that further confirmation that a timely reply was filed is present in the record via the Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review (attached as Exhibit C) dated August 7, 2009. The first line of this document acknowledges that the Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review was timely filed on May 19, 2009. Accordingly, multiple pieces of information verify that Applicant timely filed a response to the final action of February 19, 2009, and as such, the application went abandoned due to PTO error. Applicant's attorney also spoke with Examiner Dalencourt. The Examiner indicated that the Notice of Abandonment was issued in error but could not be withdrawn so that this Petition needed to be filed along with a request that the petition fee be reimbursed since the abandonment was due to PTO error.

Review of the internal Patent Office records for this file will also show that an Appeal Brief and Amendment were also timely filed and received by the U.S. Patent Office in response to the Panel Decision dated August 7, 2009.

(Please attach additional sheets if additional space is needed.)